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CLAIMS

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1. A cleat for an article of footwear, comprising:
an insert made from a synthetic plastic material; and
a plastic traction member which is secured to the insert during a molding process;
wherein the insert is made from a synthetic plastic material having a greater hardness than the traction member.

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2. The cleat according to claim 1, wherein the insert includes:
a stem portion;
an engagement means at a first end of the stem portion for releasable engagement with
a complementary engagement formation defined on an undersole of the article of footwear;
and a securing formation extending from the stem portion for securing the traction member
to the insert.

3. The cleat according to claim 1, wherein the insert is formed of a synthetic plastic
material having a hardness between 75 MPa and 85 MPa.

4. The cleat according to claim 2, wherein the insert includes a raised spike opposite the
first end of the stem portion, the raised spike being aligned with a traction member spike to
cooperate therewith and function as a visual wear indicator for the cleat.

5. The cleat according to claim 4, wherein the insert and traction member are made from different color materials.

6. A method of manufacturing a cleat for an article of footwear, the method comprising the following steps:

injection molding an insert; and

injection molding a traction member about the insert.

7. The invention of claim 6, wherein the insert and traction member are made from different color materials.

8. The invention of claim 6, wherein the insert and traction member are made from different synthetic plastic materials which bond during the molding process at a temperature range of between 50-70°C.

9. The invention of claim 6, wherein the insert is formed of a synthetic plastic material having a hardness between 75 MPa and 85 MPa.

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10. An insert for a cleat for an article of footwear, comprising:
a stem portion;
an engagement means at a first end of the stem portion for releasable engagement with
a complementary engagement formation defined on an undersole of the article of footwear;
a securing formation extending from the stem portion for securing a traction member
to the stem portion and a raised spike extending from a second end of the stem portion.
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11. The invention of claim 10, wherein the insert is formed of a synthetic plastic material
having a hardness between 75 MPa and 85 MPa.

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